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September 22, 2003

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Tomoaki TAKAHASHI  
LIQUID EJECTION APPARATUS  
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q77602

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising forty-eight (48) sheets of the specification (**Japanese Language**), including the claims and abstract and twenty-one (21) sheets of drawings. **The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, copies of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>46</u>	-	20	=	<u>26</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$468.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=		x	\$84.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$750.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<u><b>\$1218.00</b></u>

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2002-273633	September 19, 2002
Japan	2002-279417	September 25, 2002

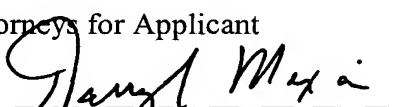
The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on Friday, September 19, 2003, a day the USPTO was officially closed due to hurricane Isabel, the filing of this case on Monday, September 22, 2003, is sufficient to claim the benefit of the earliest priority application.

Respectfully submitted,  
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